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**"All Children Are Worth Saving"****From:** Cromie, Donna [mailto:Donna.CROMIE@sl.universalservice.org]**Sent:** Thursday, September 21, 2017 9:51 AM**To:** 'fredamcarthur@aaaacademy.org'**Cc:** 'jbaiter@isbe.net'**Subject:** Appeal # 27014 AAA ACADEMY

Please respond in the EPC system.

Please see the attached letter and provide the requested information. The attached letter gives you 15 days to response. Your response is due on Sept 22, 2017.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support of the Universal Service Program.

Sincerely,

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FY 2016 Erate Appeal Information Request

September 21, 2017

Requestor Name: **Freda McArthur**

Applicant Name: **AAA ACADEMY**

Appeal Case Number: **27014**

Response Due Date: Sept 22, 2017

Dear Appellant:

You were recently sent a request for additional information needed by the Appeals team to review your Funding Year 2016 Appeal for Erate discounts. This is a reminder that your response due date is approaching. The documentation we received regarding your funding request numbers(FRN) was incomplete. Please respond to the following questions in their entirety. If you feel you have responded to the question already or you need a further explanation, please feel free to contact me.

Eligibility of Products and Services

The documentation you provide is for multiple Service Providers, XO communications, X4 Solutions, Comcast. Your FRNs are for Single Path LLC (SPIN 143030968).

- **The Billing summary for Single Path LLC is date for July 1, 2013 – July 31, 2013. You need to provide a vendor invoice/quote to support funding year 2016. This cannot be used.**

1: Please provide supporting Vendor document/quote

USAC's Program Compliance Appeals team is currently reviewing your FCC Form 471 application, and we have identified an issue that we need you to help us resolve.

What is the issue?

On your form, your Item 21 was not sufficient to determine if the requested amount for FRN 1699104906; 1699104892 can be supported. This is an issue because before we can proceed with processing your form, we must validate the eligibility of your request.

Please read all of the questions, descriptions, and requests below. Please give enough detail, insight, and clarity to help the reviewers fully understand your specific situation.

Check the boxes for statements that apply, and where applicable, type the information requested into the text boxes. If your information is too detailed for the text box, or if you need to provide additional documentation, click "Browse" to upload relevant files or documentation.

Question(s)

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'Save & Close' button below. You may then use your browser's 'Back' button to return to your work.

1

Please provide vendor documentation which supports the funding request amount of \$6,060.00 per month (Data Transmission / Internet Access) and \$1,677.12 per month (Voice) respectively.

Note: Any vendor documentation (e.g. contracts, vendor quotes, vendor bills, invoices, etc.) provided should clearly identify any ineligible charges that were cost allocated out of your request. Also, please be sure to explain any discrepancies between the amount requested and amount supported.

2

If you are requesting additional dollars to accommodate expected growth or increased usage, please provide any relevant documentation that you used when determining the estimate for expected growth or increased usage.

3

If you would like to provide any additional information about these issues that have not been addressed above:

Use the text box to type information, or upload additional documentation using the "Browse" button.

Response Reminders

Please email or fax the requested information to my attention. If you have any questions or you do not understand what we are requesting, please feel free to contact me.

It is important that we receive all of the information requested **within 15 calendar days** so we can complete our review of your application(s). **If we do not receive the requested information by Sept 22, 2017, your appeal will be reviewed using the information currently on file. Failure to send all of the information requested may result in a reduction or denial of funding. If you need additional time to prepare your response, please let me know as soon as possible. If you are unable to provide the requested information because your school or library has closed for summer break, please indicate in writing the timeframe that you will be unavailable to respond.**

Should you wish to cancel your appeal(s), please clearly indicate in your response that it is your intention to cancel your appeal(s). Include in any cancellation request the FCC Form 471 application number(s) and/or funding request number(s), and the complete name, title and signature of the authorized individual.

A copy of this correspondence is being forwarded to your State Erate Coordinator for informational purposes only.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support of the Universal Service Program.

Sincerely,

Donna M. Cromie

Associate Manager, Program Compliance– Appeals
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Appeal Information Request

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Response due: Sept 22, 2017

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Freda,

After reviewing the Document, they are requesting invoices from 2016. We have attached 3 invoice from that time period. Please send these to USAC's - Donna Cromie by EOD.

Thank you,

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Funding Year 2016

Submitting Organization AAA ACADEMY (BEN: 16046483)

Created By Freda McArthur

Created On 12/6/2016 12:16 PM EST

Main Contact

Name fredamcarthur@aaaacademy.org

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Phone Number N/A

Narrative

AAA Academy (BEN 16046483) is appealing the FDL Dated 10/10/2016 which denied services provided by Single Path (SPIN 143030968) for VoIP (FRN 1699104892) and Internet Access (FRN 1699104906). The reason for appeal is that AAA Academy no longer uses E-Rate Solutions Group as our E_rate Consultant and all PIA inquiries went to our former consultant verses, our School which caused your FDL to Deny based on:

FRN 1699104906

"DR1: Applicant has not provided sufficient documentation needed to determine the eligibility of the following item(s): Interconnected VoIP Service"

and

FRN 1699104906

"DR1: Applicant has not provided sufficient documentation needed to determine the eligibility of the following item(s):Fiber Ethernet"

Attached is a copy of the 471 which clearly shows E-Rate Solutions Group was the main contact. Also attached is a screen shot showing no action taken on PIA inquiries.

We are looking forward to your decision to overturn the denial and to allow AAA Academy another opportunity to respond to any and all inquiries. This will allow us to continue to provide quality education for our students.

Appeal Details

Decision appealed by applicant

If you wish to modify or cancel your appeal, or, if you have any questions about your appeal, please contact the E-rate Program's Client Service Bureau (CSB) at (888) 203-8100.



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AAA Academy - Hosted VoIP
DETAILING SUMMARY FOR TOTAL ELIGIBLE SLD CHARGES
FOR THE E RATE YEAR 19, JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017

AAA Academy
IT Department

DETAILED BILLING School/Site - (INTERNET) -- SEPTEMBER 2016

Site Name: AAA Academy
Project Name: **E-RATE YEAR 19 - Internet**
School Address: 13801 Chatham St, Blue Island, IL 60406

Part #	DETAILED DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL CHARGES	TOTAL INELIGIBLE CHARGES	TOTAL ELIGIBLE CHARGES	SLD FUNDING RATE	SLD REIMBURSABLE CHARGES	SCHOOL NONREIMBURSABLE CHARGES	TOTAL SCHOOL COSTS 100% INELIGIBLE + DISCOUNTED AMT
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CC-WAN	WAN Service for Internet Including 1 Cisco 3900 Layer 3 Switch and 1 C	1	\$830.00	\$830.00	\$0.00	\$830.00	90%	\$747.00	\$83.00	\$83.00
Federal Fees & Taxes	USF, TRS, Annual Regulatory, IL Excise Tax, ITAC, Infrastructure Maint	1	\$367.47	\$367.47	\$0.00	\$367.47	90%	\$330.72	\$36.75	\$36.75
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